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Application No.: 09/980,223)	Examiner: Matthew Krenner
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Filed: May 28, 2002)	Confirmation No.: 1320
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For: Method and Apparatus for Diagnosing the)	
Presence or Absence of Mastitis by Using)	
Visual Light Rays and/or Near Infrared Rays)	

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

On February 2, 2004 the undersigned filed a Third Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449 in the Patent and Trademark Office for the above-identified patent application with a certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) and fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p).


To date, we have received no acknowledgement of receipt of the Third Information Disclosure Statement nor an Examiner-initialed copy of Form PTO-1449.

The issue and publication fees are being paid in this application today and it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be provided with an acknowledgement from the Examiner of the receipt and consideration of the Third Information Disclosure Statement filed February 2, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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